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FOR: BALL GRID ARRAY SUBSTRATE STRIP WITH WARPAGE-
PREVENTIVE LINKAGE STRUCTURE

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AMENDMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated October 20, 2004 of the above-referenced application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is submitted herewith. The present amendment is timely filed, because the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was closed on January 20, 2005 for Inauguration Day. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.